Title: Regarding Womens" Reservation Bill.

MR. SPEAKER: Now, the House will take up `Zero Hour".

... (Interruptions)

SHRI P.H. PANDIYAN (TIRUNELVELI): What about the Women"s Reservation Bill? I would like to know about it from the Government. The Government has made a firm commitment that they will introduce the Women"s Reservation Bill. But the Bill has not been given top priority.

SHRIMATI KRISHNA BOSE (JADAVPUR): What about the Women"s Reservation Bill?

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA (BANKURA): What about the Women"s Reservation Bill?

SHRI P.H. PANDIYAN : A Bill to give 33 per cent reservation for women was to be introduced in this session. The Parliamentary Affairs Minister is here. The Prime Minister had also made a firm commitment a day before the commencement of this session that this Bill would be introduced here. I would like to point out that we have only four days left in the current session. The woman participation in policy making ...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: This is Submission only, Shri Pandiyan. You can submit whatever you want. This is not a discussion.

SHRI P.H. PANDIYAN : I will complete in a minute. It is mandatory in some countries that woman participation should be there. Here, Shri Pramod Mahajan has read out that so many Bills would be taken up for consideration and passing next week. But this Bill was not given top priority. The AIADMK has made a firm commitment to the people of Tamil Nadu and also its leader Puratchi Talaivi was given a firm assurance when she was in alliance with BJP. This Bill should be introduced. The Chair may direct the Government to introduce the Bill. What is the use of passing other Bills? We are not bothered about Designs Bill, we are not bothered about the Marriage Laws (Amendment) Bill, we are not bothered about any other Bill...(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: These are Submissions only. Please take your seats. I am appealing to you to take your seats.

SHRI P.H. PANDIYAN : 50 per cent of woman population are voters. We all get votes of women. All the parties secure their votes.

MR. SPEAKER: Now the Minister wants to give reply. Please take your seat.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: When the Minister is giving reply, you are not allowing him to speak. You have raised a matter. The Minister is giving reply. Please take your seat.

SHRI P.H. PANDIYAN : This Bill should have been given top priority.

MR. SPEAKER: You are not allowing the Minister to give reply. What is this? You are creating a new precedent in the House.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Nothing is going on record.

(Interruptions)*

MR. SPEAKER: Please take your seats. I do not understand your logic. When the Minister was giving reply, you did not allow him to speak. Is it the proper way? Shri Pandiyan, please take your seat. Please understand that you are also on the Panel of Chairmen.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Do you want to make a speech? You were the Speaker in the State Assembly. Let me answer your question. You have to listen also.

Sir, the Women"s Reservation Bill has already been circulated to the Members.

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA: We have not received it.

MR. SPEAKER: Let him complete.

SHRI P.H. PANDIYAN : Is it the way the Minister should mislead the Members of this House? This is absolute misleading.

MR. SPEAKER: When the Minister is giving reply, you are obstructing him. This is not good. The Minister is giving reply.

SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DASMUNSI (RAIGANJ): The Bill has not been circulated to us.

... (Interruptions)

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*Not Recorded.

SHRI P.H. PANDIYAN : This Bill should be passed....(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Nothing should go on record except the reply of the Minister.

(Interruptions)*

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Government has the intention to introduce the Women''s Reservation Bill in this very Session and we will introduce it...(Interruptions)

">SHRI P.H. PANDIYAN : It should be given top priority...(Interruptions)

">SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE (BOLPUR): The Minister has chosen his words. He is entitled to but he has chosen his words. He has said `intention''. Only four days of this Session are left...(Interruptions)

">SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: I said `intention'' and we will introduce the Bill in this very Session...(Interruptions)

">SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE : If it is done on the last day, then it is not for passing. Is it for passing?...(Interruptions)

">SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: I said that we will introduce the Bill in this very Session...(Interruptions)

">SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I have got it reconfirmed with the Lok Sabha Secretariat that the Women''s Reservation Bill has been circulated somewhere in the third week of November and you will find it in your agenda any fine morning, next week.

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